



HUTTON & CO.,
PHŒNIX WORKS,
RIDGEWAY, near SHEFFIELD.

ESTABLISHED 1760

MANUFACTURERS & EXPORTERS
OF THE
World-renowned **BY**
Scythes, Sickles, Reaping Hooks,
Hay Cutting and Chaff Knives,
etc.

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THE OBJECT of this booklet is to give a few interesting facts about the manufacture of the famous **BY** Sickles, Scythes, Reaping Hooks, Hay Cutting and Chaff Knives, which for more than a century have been in use in countries all over the world, and have established for themselves a reputation which, as our Corporate Mark **BY** denotes, is the "**Best Yet.**"

In the year 1760, being the date of the accession of George III. to the throne, Joseph Hutton carried on business, as our books show, as a maker of Sickles in the village of Ridgeway, some five miles from Sheffield, that famous centre for the manufacture of Iron and Steel and Cutting Implements of all descriptions.

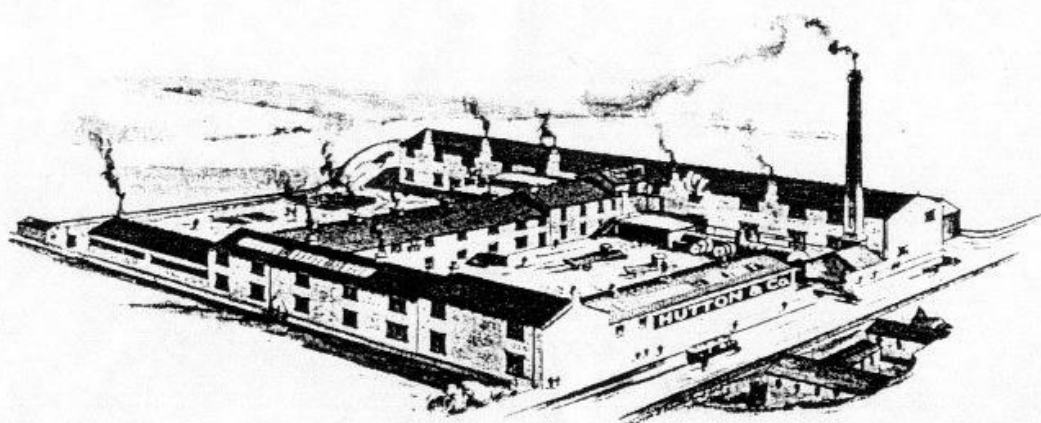
The old poet, Chaucer, writes of one of the characters in *Canterbury Tales* :

"A Shefeld thwytel bare he in his hose."

It is interesting to recall some of the conditions existing in those far off days when our founder carried on business. We think of the slow means of communication and the difficulties of transport, and are proud to remember that by skilful workmanship the productions of Hutton & Co., of Ridgeway, slowly but surely became famous in this country for their good quality and reliability.



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PHOENIX WORKS

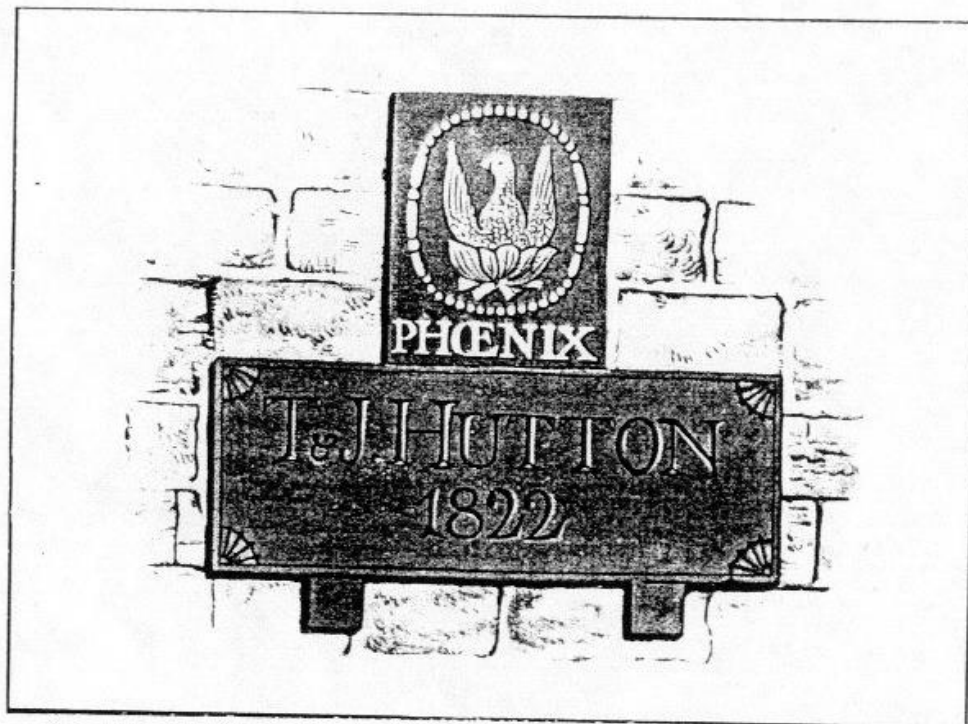
Many interesting documents and records are kept to show the progress of the business.

In the year 1822 the name Phœnix Works was adopted, and built in the wall of an extension to the works which was made in that year is a stone of which an illustration is here shown. The Thomas Hutton whose name is carved thereon was grandfather of Mr. J. J. Hutton, the present head of the firm.

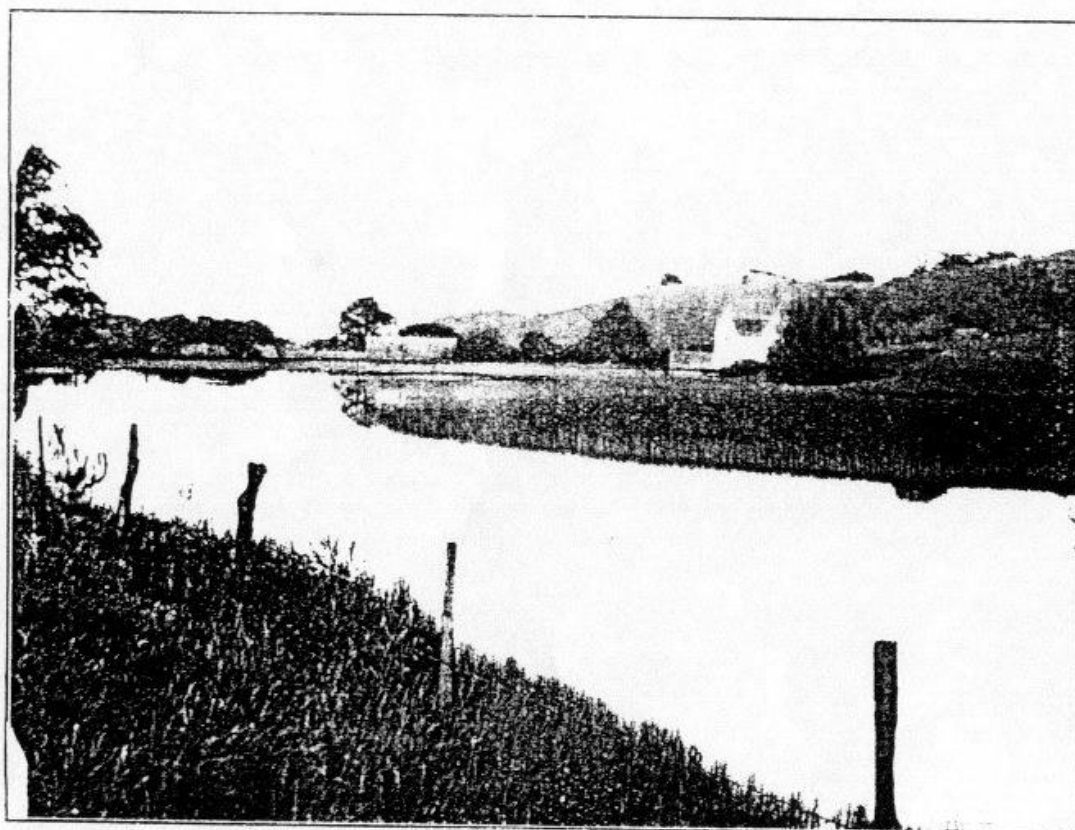
It is a unique record that the business has been owned and managed by succeeding generations of the Hutton family without a break from its foundation.

Mr. J. J. Hutton has been at Phœnix Works for nearly fifty years, and it has been his pleasure during that time to see the many improvements and extensions which have been made owing to the increasing demand for implements bearing the **BY** corporate mark.

The Phœnix Works are arranged in two compact, self-contained factories, and are equipped with modern machinery. The progress which has been made is due to careful management and good workmanship. The relationship of the workmen to the firm has always been most happy, and the works are situated in the country in lovely surroundings, where the fresh invigorating air comes direct from the moors. There are at the present time workmen employed in the firm who are the fourth generation of families, and who



STONE IN THE WALL AT PHOENIX WORKS

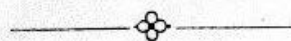


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have worked all their lives for the firm. The processes and experience gained have been handed down from father to son and thus the steady progress and excellence of **B Y** Tools has been maintained. The conditions to-day are traditional. Trade Union rates of wages are paid, and the workers are housed with best up-to-date methods. With the assistance of Mr. J. G. J. Hutton, capable departmental managers, and skilful workmen our reputation increases. Everything manufactured is subject to strict inspection, and no article is marked with the **B Y** mark which is not perfect in every detail.

As all our orders are received through British Merchant Houses, some of whom we have done business with for over eighty years, we take this opportunity to thank them for their very able help in expanding our trade and trust that this expansion may continue to our mutual advantage.

We also thank our numerous unknown friends who have so ably supported our efforts by using **B Y** products and recommending them to others, and assure them that all tools sold under our **B Y** Corporate Mark are second to none. They are made entirely by us and only best materials used.



Medals & Awards gained by B Y Products.



London 1851



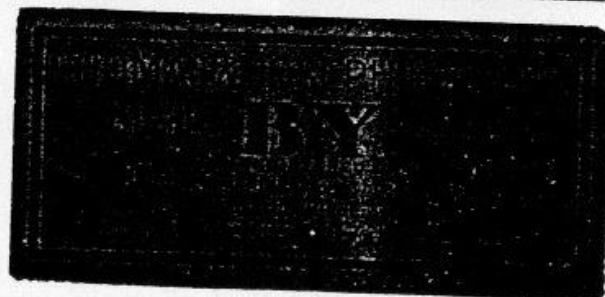
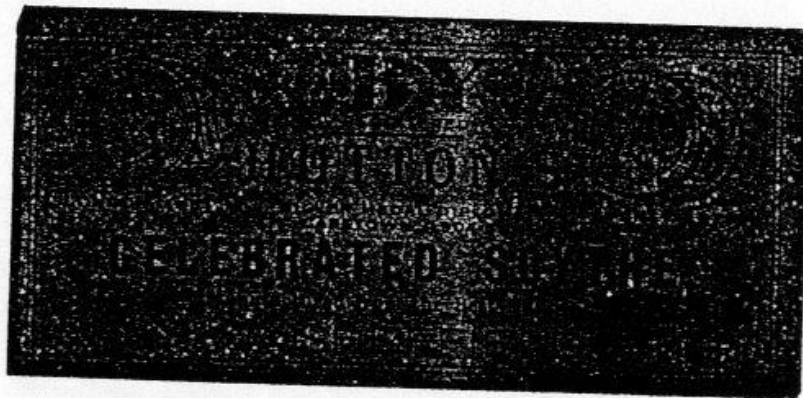
Sydney 1879



Rio 1922-5

Also Capetown 1904-5,
and British Empire Exhibition 1924

FACSIMILE LABELS.



All **B Y** Scythes and Sickles are labelled as above.
None are genuine unless bearing one of these labels,
and marked **B Y** on the blade.



MR. J. J. HUTTON



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